

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 139

Introduced by Assembly Member Bass

January 16, 2007

An act to amend Section 12517.2 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 139, as introduced, Bass. Vehicles: schoolbus drivers: medical examinations.

Existing law requires an applicant for an original or renewal certificate to drive a schoolbus, school pupil activity bus, youth bus, general public paratransit vehicle, or farm labor vehicle to submit to the Department of Motor Vehicles a report of a medical physician's examination of the applicant given not more than 2 years prior to the application date.

This bill would authorize the medical examination to be given by a licensed physician assistant or an advanced practice registered nurse.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 12517.2 of the Vehicle Code is amended
- 2 to read:
- 3 12517.2. (a) Applicants for an original or renewal certificate
- 4 to drive a schoolbus, school pupil activity bus, youth bus, general
- 5 public paratransit vehicle, or farm labor vehicle shall submit a
- 6 report of a medical examination of the applicant given not more
- 7 than two years prior to the date of the application by a physician

1 licensed to practice medicine, *a licensed physician assistant, or*
2 *an advanced practice registered nurse*. The report shall be on a
3 form approved by the department, the Federal Highway
4 Administration, or the Federal Aviation Administration.

5 (b) Schoolbus drivers, within the same month of reaching the
6 ~~age of~~ *65 years of age* and each 12th month thereafter, shall
7 undergo a ~~physical~~ *medical* examination, pursuant to Section
8 12804.9, and *shall* submit a report of *that* medical examination on
9 a form as specified in subdivision (a).